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REVIEWED BY DANIELS

Navy Head Says Indifference Is the

Greatest Obstacle to Be Overcome

by Christianity Today.

Secretary Joseph Daniels, was the

principal speaker at yesterday's session

of the General Association of Virginia

Baptists at the Baptist Church of

Clarendon, Va. Before the largest

gathering that has attended the meet-

ings of the association opened, he

lauded the important part Roger Wil-

liams played in the establishment of

religious liberty in the United States

and reviewed the history of the Baptist

church. Secretary Daniels declared

that one of the greatest obstacles the

church has to overcome today is indif-

ference.

Many of the visiting ministers oc-

cupied pulpits in Washington, Alexan-

dria, and Baltimore yesterday and preached

sermons.

The convention will close tonight after

selecting next year's place. Rev. H. W.

Battle presided at yesterday session.

HIS CARD ON HIS BROW.

Mexican Band Name and Home Ad-

dress Tattooed on Forehead.

San Francisco, Nov. 21.—"What's your

name?" demanded Assistant District

Attorney Becey, of a Mexican charged

with vagrancy at San Francisco.

The defendant brushed back his hair,

but did not speak. Becey repeated his

question. Same response. Then the

Spanish interpreter tried. The man point-

ed to a spot on his forehead. Becey

looked closely and tattooed on the man's

brow was "Fred Harris, Sonora, Mex-

ico."

"What's the idea," asked Becey.

"I have heart disease. I may drop dead.

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the prisoner explained. He was dismissed.

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FRY WOULD LET DEFECTIVES DIE

Capital Doctor Thinks Those

With Physical Deformities

Should Live.

IDIOTS ARE BETTER DEAD

Says He Questions Whether Chicago

Surgeon Knew That Bollinger Baby

Was Mentally Deficient.

Mental defectives should be permitted

to die at birth, but children who are

only physically deformed should be per-

mitted to live, in the opinion of Dr. Hen-

ry Fry, of this city, an authority on

obstetrical cases.

Dr. Fry—the first Washington physici-

an, other than a District official, to ad-

mit his views—in answer to inquiries

of The Herald last night that he would

not consent to the death of any child

unless he was convinced that it would

be mentally defective to a serious extent.

How Could Halseiden Know

Incidentally, Dr. Fry said he did not

see how Dr. Halseiden, the Chicago sur-

geon who consented to the death of the

Bollinger baby, could know that the

5-day-old infant would be a mental de-

fective.

Several months ago, Dr. Fry contrib-

uted to the request of the Medical Re-

view of Review, to a symposium of

forty-five leading American obstetricians

on the question of the extent to which

a surgeon may go in determining whether

a child shall live. This was printed

in the next issue of the Review.

Dr. Fry's paper said he would permit

a malformed child to die after birth

under two conditions: First, if it be the

wishes of the parents; second, according

to the degree of abnormality. He did not

say who constituted the degree of ab-

normality that would justify the physi-

cian in taking such action.

"This was some months before the

Chicago affair," said Dr. Fry last night.

"There has been a great deal in that

discussion of which I do not approve.

Circumstances Determine Cases.

"I believe that a child should be per-

mitted to die under certain circum-

stances. It is to be a marked mental

defective, that would justify a surgeon

in permitting its death. But I do not

believe that a child that will be merely

physically defective should be permitted

to die.

"There are cases where a child is born

without a skull, for instance. In these

cases, I believe, a child should be per-

mitted to die. I believe that a child

profoundly defective mentally, I think

death would be better. If there is a

defective brain tissue, or a mental

condition that would cause idiocy, the

surgeon, I believe, would be justified.

"As regards the Chicago case, there

has been too much said about it, but it

may have done good in bringing about

a discussion that may lead to a better

understanding of these cases.

"I cannot see how Dr. Halseiden could

tell that the baby, five days old, would

be a mental defective in the absence of

absolute signs."

Says Human Life Is Sacred.

The physicians are not united on any

plan, as can be witnessed by these opi-

nions, which will appear in the Review:

"From Joseph Daniels, of the North-

western University, one of the most

famous obstetricians in the country, feels

that human life is too sacred to permit

the most deformed baby to be born.

"We have no right to take human life.

It is a matter for the State," he writes.

Fortunately, a nonchalant seldom survives.

In the most defective cases, he says,

the mother should be given a choice of

operation. He says that the mother

often has a great deal to say.

"Another well known obstetrician, Dr.

William Jausch, Jr., of Albany, writes

as follows:

"It has always been my opinion that

all children who are born with a con-

genital abnormality are a detriment to

society. I sincerely believe that it is

humane to cut off their future suffering

by one means or another, preferably

forgetting to be the cord. It must be

remembered, however, that the child is

parental love and religious principles

have more way than the laws of medi-

cal ethics.

"I have never been able to bring my

self deliberately to kill any kind of a

baby, however deformed, which has been

born alive," says Prof. W. H. Rubovitz,

of Chicago. "At the same time I would

not criticize any one who would do so

under certain conditions. The subject is

a very difficult one to decide, but it

could be decided if some definite con-

dition could be arrived at by the profes-

sion and the practice could be sanctioned

by law."

PISTOL BATTLE FOUGHT

IN STREET; THREE SHOT

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started across the street, with Catts

following and firing.

A negro turned at the curb and re-

plied with his revolver. Catts emptied

his revolver, six shots, two of which

hit Carter. He was almost in the

name of Carter's pistol. He negro

fired his last two cartridges, one of

them shattering Catts' shoulder.

They grappled, but Catts, with his left

arm, was able to get the better of the

negro, though the latter was wounded

three times. They fell to the ground, with

Catts on top.

The chase after the woman, ending

in the struggle on the sidewalk, took

place so quickly that two policemen, who

were from the police station with the

first shot, reached the scene only after

Catts had been over-

powered.

"When policeman Welch ran up, Catts

was fighting desperately to ward off the

blows of Carter. He was almost un-

conscious from loss of blood and the

beating of the heavy revolver. Welch

struck the negro with his club and then

grappled with him.

Welch and the negro were fighting

over the body of Catts, the negro trying

to rise, when Policeman Miller reached

the scene. Miller struck the negro four

times on the head with his club before

he was subdued.

Catts and Matthews and the two

negroes were taken to Emergency Hos-

pital.

Carter later was charged with assault

with a deadly weapon and taken to

intent to kill. A police guard is being

kept over him at the hospital.

CHURCH EVENINGS POPULAR.

Church evenings, a new feature of

the social service work conducted by

Dr. Clarence A. Vincent, of the

Mount Pleasant Congregational

church, has proved a most successful

adjunct to the regular services. Start-

ing with but a few members, the

evenings, which have been held for

but four weeks, are now drawing

more than 150 members.